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E.O. 11652: GDS TAGS: AODE

SUBJECT: EVALUATION BY CHARGE' D'AFFAIRES OF PERSONNEL LEVELS

REF: A) SOFIA 616; B) SOFIA 1433; C) STATE 154335; D) STATE 201122

- 1. I HAVE REVIEWED PERSONNEL LEVELS AT POST IN RESPONSE TO REF D. EMBASSY'S CURRENT VIEWS REGARDING PERSONNEL LEVELS AT POST ARE ACCURATELY REFLECTED IN EMBASSY'S PARM SUBMISSION OF MARCH 22 (REF A) AND REF B OF JULY 5, PREPARED IN RESPONSE TO REF C.
- 2. EMBASSY WOULD NOTE THAT SINCE PARM SUBMISSION (REF A), DAO HAS LOST WORKING WIFE POSITION (PARAS 1 AND 4 REF A), SO THAT, IN FACT, EMBASSY IS SLIGHTLY LEANER NOW THAN SIX MONTHS AGO.
- 3. MY BASIC ASSESSMENT IS THAT THIS EMBASSY IS CURRENTLY OPERATING WITH MINIMUM AMERICAN STAFF NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT RELATIONS WITH COUNTRY LIKE BULGARIA A WARSAW PACT MEMBER, BORDERING ON TWO LESS SECURE NATO MEMBERS, IN PROCESS OF NORMALIZING RELATIONS WITH US, AND WITH EXPANDING US EXPORT POTENTIAL.
- 4. THIS MESSAGE HAS BEEN COORDINATED INFORMALLY WITH SENIOR REPRESENTATIVES OF OTHER AGENCIES AT POST, WITH EXCEPTION OF POINT PARA 2, REF B. CONFIDENTIAL

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5. REQUEST THAT THIS TELEGRAM AND REFTELS BE REVIEWED WITH AMBASSADOR GARTHOFF IN EUR/EE, DUE TO ARRIVE IN BULGARIA TO ASSUME CHARGE OF EMBASSY SEPT 14, TO SEEK HIS CONCURRENCE OF MY ASSESSMENT OF SITUATION.

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